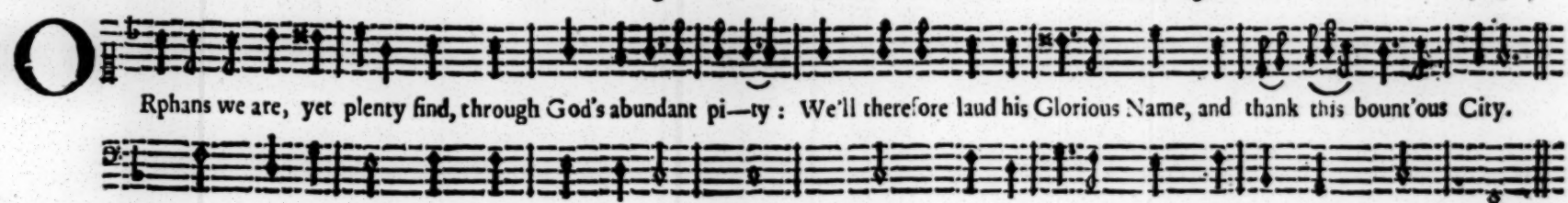


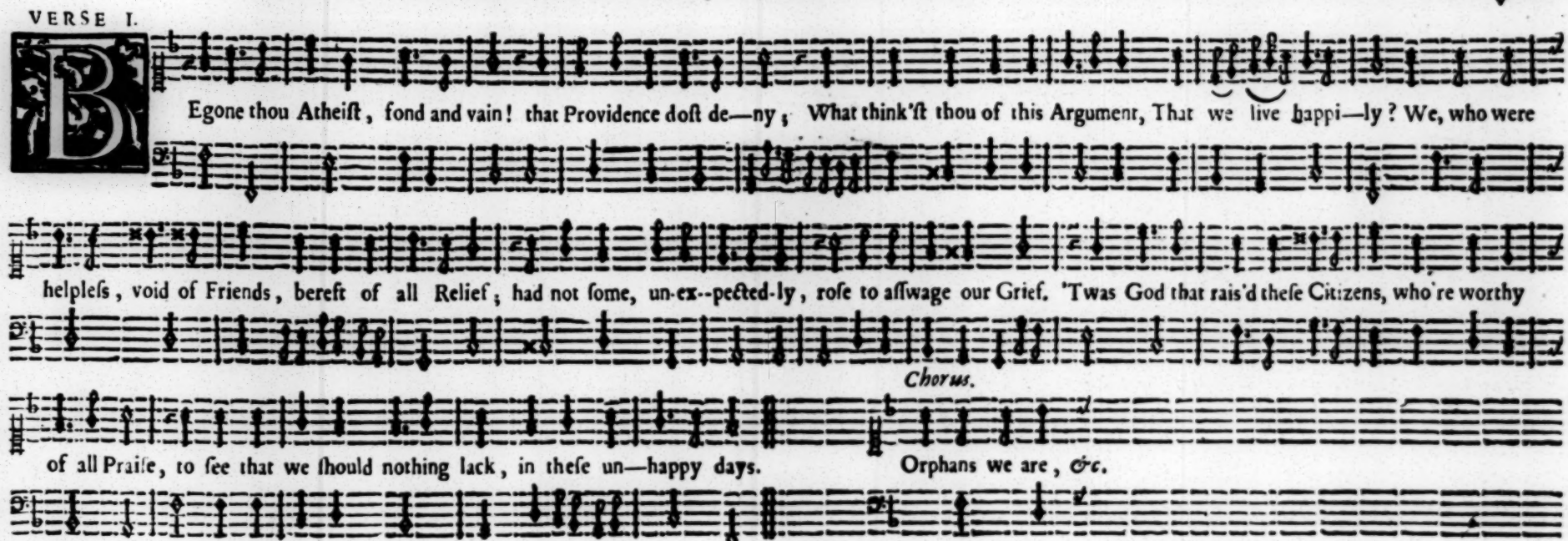
A PSALM of Thanksgiving:

To be Sung by the Children of *Christs-Hospital*, on *Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday* in *Easter Holy-days*,
(according to ancient custom) at *St. Maries Spittle*, for their *Founders and Benefactors*, A. D. 1674.

This Chorus is to
be Sung by all the
Children and re-
peated after every
Verse.



Monday.



VERSE II.
Cease *Rome* to vaunt and pride thy self, as if we can't else-where,
Find Specimens of Charity with thine fit to compare.
View how our Governours appear, attended with their Fry,

Of such as lately were expos'd to want and penury;
But now at their rich Table feed: We'll challenge Thee to say,
That thou canst boast of Nobler Sights than we afford this day.

Tuesday.

VERSE III.
TO You, Right Honourable LORD, with Your FRATERNITIE,
So much admired for Grandeur, but more for being free,
We our Acknowledgment direct: Through Providence You thrive
And prosper; by Your Piety Orphans are yet alive.
To You likewise, Grave CITIZENS, our Patrons all, we owe
Tributes of Praise; You are the Springs, from whence our Mercies flowe.

VERSE IV.
Nor shall our Tongues be silent here, we'll joyn in harmony,
To echo forth the Praises due to Royal Charity:
To CHARLES we'll pay our greatest thanks, who in his Princely Mind,
In this our Antient Nursery, a Noble Plot design'd.
EDWARD this Model first contriv'd, CHARLES hath the same improv'd;
He for the Land, This for the Seas, Both show they Orphans lov'd.

Wednesday.

VERSE V.
LONDON, lift up thy Head aloft! fear now no dismal Fates,
That God that visited with War, by Peace secures thy Gates:
Instead of Judgments due to Sin, Mercy he doth afford;
He into useful Pruning Hooks hath turn'd the thirstie Sword.
Since Heaven such rich Blessings showres on Mortals, shall we prove
Ungrateful? Let us all combine to praise the Source of Love.

VERSE VI.
Blest King above! ne're cease, we pray, t'uphold our KING in's Throne,
Maugre the Malice of his Foes, as hitherto thou hast done:
And with him blest our Gracious QUEEN, and all the ROYAL RACE,
Peers, Clergy, Gentry, with long days, but chiefly with thy Grace:
That when this Life is ended, they may evermore remain
In Glory, free from all remorse, or from corporeal pain.

A true REPORT of the great number of poor Children, and other poor People, Maintained in the several HOSPITALS, under the pious Care
of the LORD MAYOR, Commonalty, and Citizens of the City of LONDON, the Year last past.

CHRIST'S
Hospital.

Children put forth Apprentices, and discharged out of CHRIST'S-
Hospital, the year last past 14
Children buried the said year 10
Children now remaining under the Care and Charge of the said Hospital,
which are kept in the House, and divers places in London and Suburbs thereof, 510
and at Nurse in the Country, Five Hundred and Ten
The Names of all which are Registered in the Books kept in the said Hospital, and
are there to be seen from what Parishes they have been from time to time admitted.
They being so many in number, and the Charges of keeping them so great, (all
manner of Provision being excessive dear, and having sustained great Losses by the late
lamentable and dreadful Fire,) it is hoped several good Christians will freely contribute
towards the Maintenance of the said Children: The certain Revenue of the said
Hospital being little more than the Moiety of the necessary Charges thereof.

S. BARTHO-
LOMEW'S
Hospital.

Here hath been Cured this year last past at the Charge of the Hospital
of St. BARTHOLOMEW, of Wounded, Sick, and Maimed Seamen
and Souldiers, and other diseased Persons, from several parts of the Dominions
of the Kings most Excellent Majesty, and from Foreign Parts, many whereof
have been relieved with Monies and other Necessaries at their departure,
though (as it hath pleased God) the greatest part of the Revenues of the said
Hospital was consumed by the late dreadful Fire 1675
Buried this year 118
Remaining under Cure in the said Hospital 205

St. THOMAS
Hospital.

Here have been Cured this year last past, at the Charge of the Hospital of
St. THOMAS in Southwark, of Wounded, Sick and Maimed Seamen
and Souldiers, and other Diseased Persons, from the Places adjacent, and from
several Parts of his Majesties Dominions, and from other Foreign Parts, many
whereof have been relieved with Monies and other Necessaries at their departure,
though (as it hath pleased God) great part of the Revenues of the said Hospital
was consumed by the late dreadful Fire 1950
Buried this last year past, after much Charge in the time of their Sickness 159
Remaining under Cure at the Charge of the said Hospital 250

BRIDEWEL
Hospital.

Here there hath been brought into the Hospital of BRIDEWEL
London, within the space of one whole year last past, of Vagrants, 673
and other poor and miserable People, to the number of
Many whereof were there clothed and relieved with Charity (which could not be
avoided by reason of their great wants and necessities) and sent by Passes, and otherwise,
into their native Countries. But by reason of the late dreadful Fire in London, which
then consumed the whole Hospital, and all the Houses within the Precinct thereof, which

were the greatest part of the Hospitals Revenue: And also by reason of the great Fire
which happened since in Wapping, whereby the remaining part of the Revenue was very
near consumed. And the rebuilding of the Chappel, Court-house, and other Houses for
Officers, and Arts-masters to keep Apprentices, together with the Prison, hath not only
exhausted their whole Stock, but hath reduced the Governours of the said Hospital to
great straits for Supply of Monies, so as they have been necessitated to take up consi-
derable Sums of Money upon Interest for the carrying on and re-edifying thereof.

And whereas there are now kept and maintained in the said Hospital at the
Charge thereof, who are brought up in several Arts and Occupations, as Appren-
tices and other Persons, to the number of 107

And whereas the Hospital of BETHLEM is of great antiquity, use, and very
necessary for the keeping and Curing great numbers of distracted Persons, as by
the following Account appears, who of all others are most miserable, by reason of their
Infirmities both of Mind and Body, without sense thereof.

There hath been brought into the same Hospital, within the space of one whole
year last past, out of several Parishes in London, and other places, distracted Men 29
and Women, to be Cured of their Lunacy, to the number of 29

There hath been Cured of their Lunacy, and discharged out of the said Hospital,
this last year, to the number of 24

And there are now remaining in the said Hospital, and kept at the Charge thereof,
both with Physick, Diet, and other relief, under Cure, to the number of 71

The Charge of all which being very great, as we respect of the Physician, Apo-
thecary, Chyrurgeon, and Servants to attend the said Lunatics, as also of their Physick,
Chyrurgery, Diet, Cloathing, and other relief, the greatest part of them being very
unruly, and most of them unable to help themselves: And the Revenues of the said
Hospital being very small, amounting not to one third part of the yearly Charge
thereof: And the Hospital being now very old and much decayed, and too little to receive
and contain the great number of Persons, for whose reception thereto application is
daily made to the President, Treasurer, and Governours of the same: Whence there
being a very great necessity, that the said Hospital should be speedily rebuilt and enlarged,
in some other place, which shall be thought most fit and convenient, the present place
being too strait, and very inconvenient upon divers other accounts, for accommodating
so useful and necessary a Structure, recommended to the Consideration of all such
pious and charitable Persons, whose hearts God shall dispose and incline to so necessary,
Christian, and Charitable a Work, that they would upon this occasion be more than
ordinary bountiful in their Contributions towards this Undertaking, it being absolutely
necessary, and over and besides the constant Expence of the relief and maintenance of
the same.

BETHLEM
Hospital.